

## PEMISCOT FARM BUREAU NEWS

The sweet potato storage house at Caruthersville will be opened Monday, October 16. We want the farmers to bring in their potatoes so that one of the rooms can be fired and the curing process started within ten days from that date.

The house will be run on very much the same plan that it was run last year. The storage charges will be 20 cents per bushel, and the potatoes will be stored for the season in case the farmer wants to leave them there that long. There will be a few changes for the accommodation of the farmers. One is that every farmer will be permitted to weigh his potatoes into the house and will pay storage on 55 pounds instead of on the box as he did last year. Another change will be in the care of the potatoes received. If the farmers bring potatoes to the storage house that have not been properly handled the management will refuse to accept them for storage. Last year was a year of experiment and those who stored potatoes realize that they cannot be kept if they are not delivered to the house in proper shape. We would not advise any farmer to bring potatoes to the house that have been skinned, bruised, cut or handled roughly in any way. It is not likely that jumbo potatoes will pay for storage unless you are able to use them yourself. Also the seed that are stored should be of good size. Last year there were entirely too many strings brought to the potato house for storage.

A few simple rules for handling your potatoes should be observed. First, dig them carefully, make sure that no bruised or cut potatoes are placed in the boxes that you bring to store. Second, assort the potatoes into at least three groups. The first group should contain the potatoes that are more than 3 1/2 inches in diameter. That is the jumbo potato. The No. 1 should be placed in the next group and should be from 1 3/4 to 3 1/2 inches in diameter. Then the seed potatoes are the smaller ones. The way to handle these potatoes is to have boxes in the field in which you could place of these different grades as you pick them up. Use one box for jumbos, another for No. 1, and another for seed. Place these boxes that are for storage on the wagon and haul them carefully to the potato house and store them. Do not hold your potatoes in the patch or at home for more than ten days after you dig them. We positively cannot keep potatoes that have been held for a month or more before they have been sent to the potato house.

If anyone is in doubt about the keeping of potatoes, we invite you to inspect a box that is now on display at the County Fair, showing some 1921 crop that is still in good sound condition. These potatoes were properly handled and have kept until this date.

If there is further information desired by any person, they should get in touch with the County Ext. Agent. This house will be of service to the farmers who have only a few potatoes that they wish to store for home consumption. The management urges the farmers to bring their potatoes in so that they can be stored and given out to them as they need them.

—High grade jewelry of newest designs—guaranteed quality and specially priced to attract you. Wells Drug Co.

Lawrence Crocker, who has Dennis Green's place as Government cotton statistician in this territory, was here Wednesday seeing after business.

—Headquarters for phonographs and records, needles, etc., at Turbaugh's Jewelry Store, Caruthersville.

—Wood Heaters at Buckleys'. Prices low on pipe, elbows and hods, too.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ransburgh spent a few hours in this city Thursday night.

## CAPE GIRARDEAU POLICE CHIEF KILLED BY YOUTH

Officer's Companion Then Kills  
Slayer, Who Had Escaped From  
Sheriff.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., Oct. 7.—Jeff Hutson, chief of Cape Girardeau police, was shot to death today by Willie Williford when he entered the young man's home to arrest him. Parolman Curtis Childs, who accompanied the chief, returned the fire and Williford fell, dying almost instantly.

Williford had been sought by the police since his escape from Sheriff William Browning on the way to the Missouri Reformatory, to which Williford had been sentenced to serve two years for the theft of the automobile of Charles L. Harrison of Cape Girardeau. Chief Hutson had learned the youth was at his home. When Hutson knocked and the door was opened he was shot.

## ROBERTS GIN BURNS.

The Roberts Cotton Oil Company's gin at this place was destroyed by fire last Sunday morning.

At 8:30 o'clock smoke was discovered coming from the ginhouse proper, and though the alarm was immediately given, it was impossible to extinguish the flames. The fact is, the fire department hose was not long enough to reach from the nearest fire plug to the fire, so that a stream of water could be used to advantage excepting to save surrounding property.

Neither the cotton house nor the cottonseed house were destroyed, nor even damaged, but this was due only to the favorable drift of the wind. In the cotton house there was about 100,000 pounds of seed cotton, and the seed house was full of seed. The saving of this property will materially lessen the loss. Only the ginhouse proper was destroyed, which will entail an approximate loss of something like \$6,000.

The fire was of mysterious origin and might have been prevented had a watchman been employed, which, it is said, was not the case.

The unginned cotton has this week been transferred to the Taylor gin, which is running day and night. The loss of this gin will be a serious blow to Hayti, coming right in the midst of the greatest cotton season we have ever had, and with not half enough gins to handle the crop of the surrounding territory.

F. M. Perkins, manager of the gin, says the Roberts Company will not attempt to rebuild for the present reason. It will be the purpose of the company, said Mr. Perkins, to put in a first-class gin, modern in every respect, and as this could not be done in a few weeks it was deemed impracticable to put in a temporary makeshift. Work will not likely commence on the new gin until early in the spring.

In connection with rebuilding their gin, the Roberts Company, we are told, is considering the practicability of also putting in an oil mill and perhaps a compress, Hayti being, by reason of its location, the logical point of Pemiscot county for such requirements.

More and more Pemiscot county is becoming the leading cotton country, and Hayti is nearer the center of industry than any other place in the county.

## MASONIC LODGE ANNIVERSARY.

The 50th anniversary of the Masonic Lodge at Caruthersville will be celebrated by the Masons of that lodge next Monday afternoon. Work in Master Mason degrees will begin at 2 o'clock and continue until finished. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock. Masons and their wives of the neighboring towns are invited. Dr. Briggs, formerly a Grand Lodge officer, has promised to be present and make a lecture appropriate to the occasion. A pleasant and profitable time is promised all who may attend.

—Genuine oak lawn swings, well bolted and re-inforced; the kind that will stand hard use. We put them up for you. Laffer Hardware Co.

Hon. R. L. Ward, returning from Cape Girardeau, where he attended Federal court, passed through Hayti Wednesday afternoon.

## Song of G. O. P. Set to Parlor Theatricals

Washington, Oct. 9.—Suitable for parlor theatricals is the following pleasant skit featuring the Republican quartette—tariff for profiteers, tax reduction for buccaneers, ship subsidies for privateers and Senate seats for auctioneers.

(Scene: Washington. Time: Present.)

Enter crowd of men, sleek and amdominous, and glistening in diamonds like a pawnbroker's show window. Forming a semicircle in front of the Capitol they burst forth as follows:

We are jolly profiteers,  
Our gains are growing fast;  
We're fatter than we've been for years,  
Since Fordney's bill was passed;  
Come, trusts, and join our hearty cheers  
For what was done for profiteers.

They retire to make room for another group, also showing signs of good feeding and prosperity. These latter draw forth \$1,000 bills, which they wave while they sing in this manner, to-wit:

Here we come, gay buccaneers,  
Please note how big we wax;  
Since Harding has relieved our tears  
By cutting down our tax.  
Republicans, ain't they dears—  
To be so kind to buccaneers?

They quickly replace their \$1,000 bills in their pockets (which they button as they range themselves by the profiteers) and give way to another band.

The latter carol in this strain:  
We're mighty glad we're privateers  
That roam the briny deep,  
That bill that Mr. Eaker steers  
Will give us vessels cheap.  
What care we for people's sneers  
While we're successful privateers?

They fall back on the right flank of the profiteers to give room for a group carrying red flags and mallets. The latter in deep voices warble in this fashion:

We're just a crew of auctioneers,  
With Senate seats for sale;  
We'll start you out on fine careers—  
Our methods never fail—  
A quarter million gets six years,  
Of glory from us auctioneers.

All groups then assemble for a little close harmony and chorus in this wise:

Hurrah, huzza and three big cheers!  
We're profiteers and buccaneers  
We're privateers and auctioneers;  
Our hearts rejoice as you may see,  
Enjoying great prosperity;  
For which we thank the G. O. P.,  
Tariff and taxes and subsidies,  
Senate seats—whatever we please—  
We're quite content, we make no fuss,  
The G. O. P. is fine for us.

## GASOLINE PRICE CUT.

Chicago.—A reduction of two cents a gallon in the price of gasoline and all other naphtha products has been announced by the Standard Oil Company of Indiana.

Effective throughout the 11 middle western States comprising the company's territory, it was estimated that the cut in price would save motor car users alone more than \$2,500,000 a month.

The new prices will make the Chicago base for gasoline 19 cents at tank wagons and 21 cents at the service stations.

—Found—Two miles from Hayti, on Kennett road, one auto tire with rim. Found by W. E. Brown. Call at this office prove tire is yours by description, pay for this ad, and take tire. 48-1f

Mrs. W. H. Helm and daughter, Mildred, visited Mrs. Helm's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Juden, at Caruthersville Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Juden accompanied them home for a few days' visit.

—Before you buy a stove see the famous Economy Range, \$45.00, at Caruthersville Hardware Co.

## INCREASE IN FOOD PRICES.

Washington.—The Bureau of Labor statistics has issued figures showing that the retail cost of food increased in 20 out of 26 representative cities during the month from August 15 to September 15. St. Louis had an increase of 1 per cent.

For the year ending September 15 there was a decrease of 10 per cent in St. Louis. As compared with the average cost for 1913, St. Louis prices were 40 per cent higher.

—For Rent:—240 acres, in 40 acre tracts or larger. Six good houses and barns. Some new ground and some clearing. Good cotton, corn ground. Three miles west of Hayti, on Kennett road. J. S. Porter 4448 Maryland Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Geo. R. Mitchell of Memphis, manager of the National Refining Company, (Memphis Division), was visiting the Hayti station Sunday, and while here gave Mr. Kirby, the agent here, instructions to have warehouse made larger and also to employ a helper, which latter he did Monday morning.

—Screen wire, poultry netting, Laffer Hardware Co., Hayti

## COTTON CROP ESTIMATE PUT AT 10,135,000 BALES

This is a Reduction During September of 7 Points or 440,000 Bales.

A dispatch from Washington under date of October 3 says:

"A reduction of 440,000 bales during September in prospective cotton production this year was shown in the Department of Agriculture's forecast issued today, placing the crop at 10,135,000 equivalent 500-pound bales. The decline in the condition of the crop from August 25 to September 25 was 7.0 points, compared with a ten-year average decline of 5.8 points.

"The loss in prospective production during the month was heaviest in Texas, where a reduction of 232,000 bales was shown. In Oklahoma the reduction was 85,000 bales; in South Carolina, 67,000 bales; in Georgia, 58,000; North Carolina, 20,000; Tennessee, 10,000, and Louisiana, 7,000.

"An increase in the forecast of production was shown in Mississippi where the prospective is estimated at 26,000 bales more than in September. In Alabama, there was an increase of 17,000 bales, while in Arkansas and Missouri there was an increase of 6,000 bales each.

"A larger quantity of cotton has been ginned prior to September 25 this year than in any year excepting 1916, since the compilation of ginning to that date was begun in 1905.

"The census bureau's report today announced 3,883,006 bales had been ginned to September 25. That is 962,615 bales more than ginned to that date last year, but 198,913 bales less than ginned to that date in 1916, when the crop was 11,263,915 bales.

"In 1916 the quantity ginned to September 25 was 35.9 per cent of the total crop."

## RETIRING OFFICERS THANKED.

The Methodist Ladies Aid desire to thank the retiring officers of the the past year for their faithful service and good work. Especial thanks are due our president, Mrs. Jessie Jackson, and Mrs. Mollie Dorris, vice-president, Mrs. John T. Buckley, secretary, and Mrs. K. V. Propst, treasurer, who so ably assisted in the work. We also wish to thank our members and friends for their liberal patronage, and those of other churches who contributed and helped to make our efforts a success. We hope to have a continuance of those favors for the newly elected officers and the work of the new year.

Mrs. ETHEL DORRIS, Pres.  
Mrs. T. A. McNAIL, Vice-Pres.  
Mrs. L. C. AVERILL, Sec.  
Mrs. K. V. PROPST, Treas.

## METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. This school is growing again in attendance.

The pastor will lecture 10 minutes to the "Business Men's Bible Class" and members are urged to be present. At eleven a. m., Mr. Culbertson will discuss the important topic "Consecration."

The time has come for all real earnest Christians to be found at the place of worship Sunday a. m.

The League will hold devotions at 6:45 p. m., Bill Culbertson, leader.

The sermon Sunday, 7:30 p. m., will deal with the problem of "What We Owe to God."

Every member and friend of the church is expected to respond to the committee who will soon visit you to ascertain how much you will agree to pay this year. This discussion will help you to decide. Hear it.

—We carry high grade watches of well known makes—Elgin, Hampden, Waltham, South Bend, etc. Wells Drug Co.

Professor and Mrs. O. E. Hooker returned Monday morning from Browning, Mo., where they were called last week on account of the death of Mr. Hooker's mother. The elder Mrs. Hooker with her husband spent one winter in this city at the home of her son and made many friends who regret to learn of her death and who join The Missouri Herald in extending condolence.

## HAYTI HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

School is moving along nicely. The attendance at the Grammar School has been irregular and should become better. Parents should remember that a day missed is a day lost and encourage the child to attend as regularly as possible.

After all our delays, we are to have a foot ball team and have begun practice again. We have arranged for four games already, three being away from home. Malden will play Hayti at Hayti, Oct. Kennett November 6, and Caruthersville, November 3, and Caruthersville, at that place November 24. We will complete our schedule in the next few days. Prospects for team are good.

The girls have begun practice for basket ball and are showing some real team work. Our schedule has not been made yet.

As announced previous to this, school closed Thursday and Friday for the District Teachers' Association at Cape Girardeau.

The State Superintendent of has been making an active campaign to have all the teachers in the State enrolled, and in a personal letter asks the co-operation of all teachers in this matter, through the superintendent. He further asks that each superintendent send him the percentage of his teachers enrolled and we have made a campaign for 100 per cent, called for by the Department, but we lack one teacher of having the 100 per cent.

As many as can find it convenient will attend the association in person at Cape Girardeau. Those enrolled and those attending will be announced later.

## HON. S. H. McCARTY HOLDS LAST COURT

The Hon. Sterling H. McCarty, who has presided over the thirty-eighth judicial district of Missouri seven years, closed his last term of court in New Madrid last Friday.

Judge McCarty was appointed by Governor Major as judge of the thirty-eighth judicial circuit, a new circuit created by the 48th General Assembly. His term expired January 1, 1917, but he was re-elected for a six-year term.

Judge McCarty's retirement from the bench marks the passing of one of the best jurists who ever presided in this part of the State. Strict in discipline was the bachelor judge, but fairness was dealt to all who were in his court, whether lawyer, sheriff, clerk or client.—Sikeston Standard.

## J. F. GORDON DEAD.

At about the same time this paper is coming off the press, the lifeless form of one of Pemiscot county's native-born, universally respected and much loved sons, J. F. Gordon, will be lowered into the silent tomb in the city of the dead, on the outskirts of Cape Girardeau. J. F. (Felle) Gordon, an account of whose serious illness was published in our last issue, died at his home in Cape Girardeau Sunday at 4 o'clock a. m. of cancer of the stomach. It was the passing of a splendid citizen, a noble man, a true friend and efficient public official.—Democrat-Argus.

## 1923 MISSOURI AUTO LICENSE COLORS

Jefferson City, Oct. 11.—Missouri automobile license tags for 1923 will have a black background with blue letters and be the same size as those in use this year. Contracts have been let for 350,000 owners' tags for automobiles, 40,000 tags for trucks and 3,000 tags for dealers.

—Household recipe for chronic constipation, as desert on the table. Satisfaction guaranteed. 25c. P. O. Box 867, St. Louis, Mo. 49-1

The first frost of the season was visible this morning, but was not heavy enough to do any damage.

—We carry high grade watches of well known makes—Elgin, Hampden, Waltham, South Bend, etc. Wells Drug Co.